

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0001] with the following amended paragraph:

A₁ [0001] This application is related to co-pending application entitled "System and Method for
vv. Concurrent Multimodal Communication", ^{now pat. no. 6,807,519} having ~~Attorney Docket No. 33692-02.0052~~, filed on
w February 27, 2002, having Serial No. 10/085,990, and having the same inventors as the instant
w application; and co-pending application entitled "System and Method for Concurrent Multimodal
Communication Using Concurrent Multimodal Tags," having ~~Attorney Docket No. 33692-01.0054~~,
filed on February 27, 2002, having Serial No. 10/084,874, and having the same inventors as the
instant application, both applications incorporated by reference herein.

**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONCURRENT
MULTIMODAL COMMUNICATION SESSION PERSISTENCE**

RELATED APPLICATIONS

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10 2002, having Serial No. _____, and having the same inventors as the instant application, both applications incorporated by reference herein.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

[0002] The invention relates generally to communication systems and methods and more particularly to multimodal communications system and methods.

15 [0003] An emerging area of technology involving communication devices such as handheld devices, mobile phones, laptops, PDAs, internet appliances, non-mobile devices and other suitable devices, is the application of multimodal interactions for access to information and services. Typically resident on a communication device is at least one user agent program, such as a browser, or any other suitable software that can

20 operate as a user interface. The user agent program can respond to fetch requests (entered by a user through the user agent program or from another device or software application), receives fetched information, navigate through content servers via internal or external connections and present information to the user. The user agent program